

STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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To:

Oxbow Farm and Education Center

Ridgecrest Family Farm

Full Circle Farm Brook's Family Farm

Red Hen Market

One Acre Agriculture Center

Marion Hill Farm Blue Bird Farm Hill Yard Farm

Thank you for your remarkable service to Washington families and individuals who rely on assistance from our state's hunger relief partners.

The Washington State Department of Agriculture would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge your commitment to those in need in our communities. We are humbled by your hard work and dedication given to increasing the amount of fresh produce available at food banks. The Washington State Department of Agriculture is proud to support such a strong and generous agricultural community.

Through our Food Assistance Program, the Washington State Department of Agriculture provides emergency food to low income and vulnerable individuals. We provide food, funds and nutritional assistance through various state and federally funded programs. The collective impact of the nine award recipients, however, extends hunger relief beyond our direct reach. Each recipient represents an active community building local momentum, participation and awareness of produce recovery. Every connection made between food banks and farmers strengthens the hunger relief network, making your involvement crucial.

Washington farmers have made exceptional efforts to support hunger relief. The Donor of the Year Award is well deserved and indicates greater movement towards statewide food security. The Washington State Department of Agriculture is honored to recognize your contributions.

With gratitude,

Bud Hover, Director

Washington State Department of Agriculture

The Washington State Department of Agriculture serves the people of Washington by supporting the agricultural community and promoting consumer and environmental protection. We want to see healthy, productive and economically viable farms. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help you succeed or support your involvement in hunger relief.